

PARA U16 Chair Report

2022-2023 Season

U16 Field Size

There were a total of 226 U16 athletes in PARA for the 2023 competition season. This consisted of 108 male and 118 female racers. Projection for the 2024 season keeps the field at 226 without consideration for any additions or attrition.

PARA U16 State-wide Race Series

The 2023 race season saw the 2nd season of the PARA U16 7 race statewide series. Hosts were Tussey Mountain and Elk Mountain with Blue Mountain hosting the U16 Finals. Field sizes and percent of U16 participation is listed in 2 far right columns of the table below.

Race #	Host	Date	Discipline	Male	Female	Total Field	% of U16
1	Tussey Mtn	Jan 28	SL	80	94	174	77
2	Tussey Mtn	Jan 29	SL	78	88	166	73
3	Elk Mountain	Feb 11	GS	73	84	157	69
4	Elk Mountain	Feb 12	GS	73	86	159	70
5	Blue Mountain	Feb 24	SG	44	44	88	39
6	Blue Mountain	Feb 25	GS	82	94	176	78
7	Blue Mountain	Feb 26	SL	80	94	174	77

PARA State Team

This year's U16 State Team consists of a total of 20 athletes per the new State Team size guidelines passed at the 2022 PARA Spring Meeting.

The following racers qualified for the PARA State Team based on the overall U16 Series results:

Females

Johanna Cook BMRA 2008
 Jamie Hodgkinson WTSEF 2007
 Tara Pak EMSC 2008
 Giuliana Contini WPRC 2007
 Cameron Starner SRRC 2008
 Morgan Celley BMRA 2007
 Addison Winfield BMRA 2007
 Emma Watson JFRT 2007
 Blair Kennedy WTSEF 2008
 Efemia Britt PASEF 2008

Males

Curt Friedrich BMRA 2008
 Alec Fonash TMART 2007
 Jackson Miller SRRC 2007
 Stanley Bochnak BMRA 2007
 Tal Aluf Medina BMRA 2007
 Joseph Coyne SRRC 2007
 Stuart Reath SRRC 2007
 Charlie Neel BMRA 2008
 Robert Eiswert SRRC 2007
 Ian Renquist BMRA 2007

USSS Eastern Post-Season

There were 14 females and 14 males that attended Eastern Championships and Eastern Finals.

USSS Eastern Championships

U16 Eastern Championships were held at Sugarloaf Mountain on March 13-17th.

The following PARA athletes attended:

Females

Johanna Cook	BMRA	2008
Jamie Hodgkinson	WTSEF	2007
Tara Pak	SRRC	2007
Giuliana Contini	WPRC	2007
Morgan Celley	BMRA	2007
Emma Watson	JFRT	2007

Males

Curt Friedrich	BMRA	2008
Alec Fonash	TMART	2007
Jackson Miller	SRRC	2007
Stanley Bochnak	BMRA	2007
Tal Aluf Medina	BMRA	2007
Joseph Coyne	SRRC	2007

Female finishes

SG: Celley 44, Pak 49, Cook 53, Contini 58, Hodgkinson 59, Watson 60

GS Contini 40, Hodgkinson 44, Pak 46, Watson 47, Cook 49

SL Hodgkinson 37, Cook 39, Contini 41, Celley 42, Watson 47

Male finishes

SG: Friedrich 33, Miller 51, Fonash 54, Aluf Medina 55, Bochnak 56, Coyne 65

GS Friedrich 34, Bochnak 46, Aluf Medina 47, Coyne 52

SL Bochnak 47, Aluf Medina 52, Coyne 54, Miller 58

Coaches that supported the PARA team were John Anderson, Andrew Miller, and Dave Fonash.

USSS Eastern Finals

U16 Eastern Finals were held at Attitash Bear Peak March 18-21. The following athletes attended representing PARA:

Females

Addison Winfield	BMRA	2007
Efemia Britt	PASEF	2008
Norah Tama	EMSC	2007
Isabel Dower	SRRC	2007
Tinley Sutch	EMSC	2007
Maeve O'Driscoll	WPRC	2007
Jennifer Ma	BMRA	2008
Talia Keithley	SRRC	2008

Males

Stuart Reath	SRRC	2007
Charlie Neel	BMRA	2008
Robert Eiswert	SRRC	2007
Ian Renquist	BMRA	2007
Benjamin Kasofsky	SRRC	2008
Max Awanahara	LMRT	2007
Collin Schreiber	BMRA	2008
Daniel Sahakian	TMART	2007

Female finishes

SL: Ma 39, Britt 40, O'Driscoll 44, Keithley 52, Dower 58

GS: Britt 26, O'Driscoll 32, Keithley 33, Ma 36, Tama 40, Sutch 44

SG: O'Driscoll 26, Britt 29, Keithley 30, Tama 35, Ma 38

Male finishes

SL: Reath 14, Renquist 26, Schreiber 30, Kasofsky 35, Neel 39, Awanahora 46

GS: Neel 13, Awanahora 21, Eiswert 23, Renquist 27, Schreiber 31, Sahakian 32

SG: Neel 15, Eiswert 18, Reath 26, Kasofsky 28, Awanahora 29, Renquist 30, Schreiber 34, Sahakian 43

Coaches that supported the PARA team were Kevin Malkin, Jonathan Altman, and Agla Bjornsdottir

USSS Eastern Region Project Series (RPS)

Three PARA athletes attended the Eastern U16 GS/SL project that was held at Stratton in December 2022. Giuliana Contini (WPRC) attended the women's event at Stratton on Dec 16-17. Males that attended on Dec 18-19 were Jackson Miller (SRRC) and Stanley Bochnak (BMRA).

Speed Camp

Thank you to Matt Superczynski for setting up a phenomenal opportunity for 80 PARA U16 and U18 athletes to attend American Downhill at Okemo. Dates were Jan 21-23 and the camp concluded with 2 SG Races on Jan 24. 31 male U16 athletes and 25 females attended.

**Respectfully submitted,
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